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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING MULTIMEDIA FILE  
TITLE OF INVENTION

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ATTENTION: DO/US

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS  
FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL  
STAGE IN U.S. DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

(check and complete the following item, if applicable)

- ☒ This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.494 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).  
☒ A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

**WARNING:** Filing requirements, including translation of the international application, the declaration, the national fee and the payment of all the surcharge(s) in connection with the filing of these items after twenty (20) months from the priority may be met within twenty-two (22) months from the priority date. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in abandonment. The provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 for extensions of time do not apply to the 22 month period. 37 CFR 1.61(b).

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10\*  
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I hereby certify that this Completion of Filing Requirements and the papers indicated as being transmitted therewith is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, Express Label No. EL730724761US on this date June 13, 2001, in an envelope, postage prepaid, addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**NOTE:** The completion of the filing requirements within 22 months (instead of 20 months) from the priority date results from the Commissioner exercising his judgment under the authority granted under 35 USC 371(d). The filing receipt will show the actual date of receipt of the last item completing the entry into the national phase. See 37 CFR 1.491 which states: "An international application enters the national stage when the applicant has filed the documents and fees required by 35 USC 371(c) within the periods set forth in § 1.494 and § 1.495."

**WARNING:** Where the items being submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase are subsequent to 20 months from the priority date, the application is still considered to be in the international stage. If mailing procedures are utilized to obtain a date, the express mail procedure of 37 CFR 1.10 must be used (because international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing. 37 CFR 1.8(2)(xi).

**NOTE:** Documents and fees must be clearly identified as a submission to enter the national stage under 35 USC 371. Otherwise, the submission will be considered as being made under 35 USC 111. 37 CFR 1.494(f).

### DECLARATION OR OATH

- I. ☒ No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

**NOTE:** For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date, complete item IV(2).

**NOTE:** Acceptable minimums in the declaration in an ordinarily filed U.S. application for identification of the specification to which it applies are the name of the inventor and (1) serial number, (2) attorney docket number that was on the application as filed and the filing date, (3) title of the invention and filing date, (4) title of invention and reference to a specification that is attached to the declaration at the time of execution and filed with the declaration, or (5) title of invention and a statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration. If identification (4) is used, it must be accompanied by a statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date. Such a statement must be a verified statement if made by a person not registered to practice before the PTO. Notice of September 12, 1983 (1035 O.G. 3).

**NOTE:** Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 CFR 1.10(c).

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.41(a) points out that "Full names must be stated, including the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial."

(complete (a) or (b), if applicable)

Attached is a

- (a) ☐ Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (b) ☐ Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

### AMENDMENT

II. (complete as applicable)

- ☐ An amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 is attached.
- ☐ The attached amendment cancels claims \_\_\_\_\_ inclusively.

III. [ ] Submitted herewith, is a English translation of the non-English language international application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO. (See 37 CFR 1.494(b)(2)).

*NOTE: Unlike the filing of an ordinary non-English application (37 CFR 1.52(d)) the translation of an international application entering the U.S. national phase need not be verified. 37 CFR 1.494(e). If necessary, however, a verified translation may be required. 37 CFR 1.494(e). Moreover, if the English translation is filed within 20 months from the priority date, no processing fee is required.*

(Completion of Filing Requirements for International Application Entering National Stage in Designated Office (DO/US)  
under 35 USC 371--page 4 of 6)

### SMALL ENTITY STATUS

V. A statement that this filing is by a small entity

NOTE: See 37 CFR 1.28(a).

(check and complete applicable items)

b. ☐ A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

### EXTENSION OF TIME

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

VI.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.1 36(a) apply.

(a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked out below:

Extension (months)	Fee for over than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 380.00	\$190.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 870.00	\$435.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,360.00	\$680.00

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

or

(b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

### TOTAL FEE DUE

**VII.** The total fee due is:

Completion fee(s) \$ 170.00  
Extension fee (if any) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
  
TOTAL FEE DUE \$ 170.00

### PAYMENT OF FEES

**VIII.**

☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ 170.00.  
☐ Charge Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate of this request is attached.

*NOTE: Fees should be itemized in such a manner that it is clear for which purpose the fees are paid. 37 CFR 1.22(b).*

### AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

**IX.**

**WARNING:** Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges.

*NOTE: "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in § 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3).*

*NOTE: "Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 CFR 1.26(a).*

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper, and during the entire pendency of this application, to Account No. 04-1105  
☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(2), 1.492(a)(3), or 1.492(a)(5) (filing fees)  
☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.492(b) (presentation of extra claims)

*NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing, or on later presentation, must only be paid, or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 CFR 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.*

☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (application processing fees)  
☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a)).

**WARNING:** While 37 CFR 1.17(a), (b), (c) and (d) deal with extensions of time under § 1.136(a), this authorization should be made only with the knowledge that: "Submission of the appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is to no avail unless a "quest or petition for extension is filed." (Emphasis added). Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

[ ] 37 C.F.R. 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311 (b)).

*NOTE: Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 CFR 1.311(b).*

*NOTE: 37 CFR 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 CFR 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity*

[X] 37 C.F.R. 1.492(e) and (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date)

**WARNING:** *It is suggested that you always check this last authorization.*

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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

1. The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as ☐ a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494) ☒ an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Basic National Fee.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Indication of Small Entity Status.                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of the international application.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Translation of the international application into English. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oath or Declaration of inventors(s).  | <input type="checkbox"/> Translation of Article 19 amendments into English.                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Article 19 amendments.  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Priority Document.   |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes, if any.     |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English. |  |
2. ☒ Applicant has requested early processing under 35 U.S.C. 371(f) but has not filed the following indicated items and/or the indicated items in paragraph 3 below. The Basic National Fee and the copy of the international application must be filed prior to 20 or 30 months from the priority date to avoid abandonment.
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| <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Basic National Fee. | <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of the international application. |
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3. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Translation of the application into English. A processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), properly identifying the application (preferably by the International application number and international filing date). A surcharge will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date. |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.   |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).  |  |
4. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due (37 CFR 1.492(g)). See attached PTO-875.
5. ☐ Applicant has not submitted the required sequence listing pursuant to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. See attached PCT/DO/EO/920.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 3(a)-3(d), 4 AND 5 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 OR 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

6. If box 3a or 3c is checked, a translation of the Annexes **MUST** be submitted no later than the time period set above or the Annexes will be cancelled. A processing fee will be required if submitted later than 20 or 30 months from the priority date.
7. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 1.494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application number (37 CFR 1.5).

**A copy of this notice MUST be returned with this response.**

Enclosed: ☐ PCT/DO/EO/917 ☐ Notice of Defective Translation  
☐ PTO-875 ☐ PCT/DO/EO/920

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PCT/DO/EO/905 (March 2001)